BEFORE THE WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

IN RE: JEFFREY ALAN DODSON, M.D.

**CONSENT ORDER** 

The West Virginia Board of Medicine ("Board") and Jeffery Alan Dodson, M.D.

("Dr. Dodson"), freely and voluntarily enter into the following Consent Order pursuant to the

provisions of W. Va. Code § 30-3-14, et seq.:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Dr. Dodson currently holds a license to practice medicine and surgery in

the State of West Virginia, License No. 21906, issued originally in 2005. Dr. Dodson's address

of record is in Bridgeport, West Virginia.

2. In January 2009, Dr. Dodson was the subject of a random audit by the

Board to determine whether he had completed the required minimum number of fifty (50) hours

of Continuing Medical Education ("CME") coursework, as described in 11 CSR 6 2.2, including

two (2) hours in the subject of end-of-life care, including pain management, as described in W.

Va. Code § 30-1-7a, during the licensure period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008.

3. In Dr. Dodson's licensure renewal application for the period from July 1,

2008, to June 30, 2010, submitted to the Board and dated June 19, 2008, Dr. Dodson represented

that he had completed the required minimum number of fifty (50) hours of CME coursework,

including two (2) hours of CME coursework in the subject of end-of-life care, including pain

management, during the preceding licensure period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008.

- 4. The random audit revealed that Dr. Dodson had completed forty six and one half (46.5) hours of approved CME coursework during the preceding licensure period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008, including two (2) hours of CME coursework in the subject of end-of-life care, including pain management.
- 5. In March 2009, the Complaint Committee of the Board initiated a complaint against Dr. Dodson based upon his apparent deficiency of three and one half (3.5) hours of CME coursework and his certification that he had completed the same during the preceding licensure period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008.
- 6. On April 8, 2009, Dr. Dodson responded to the Complaint by admitting his deficiency and apologizing to the Board for his unintentional oversight.

## **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- 1. The Board has a mandate pursuant to the West Virginia Medical Practice Act to protect the public interest. W. Va. Code § 30-3-1.
- 2. Probable cause may exist to substantiate charges against Dr. Dodson pursuant to W. Va. Code § 30-3-14 (c)(17) and 11 CSR 1A 12.1 (e) and (j), relating to unprofessional conduct, and W. Va. Code § 30-3-14 (c)(1) and (17), 11 CSR 1A 12.1 (a), and 11 CSR 6 4.2 and 4.4, relating to the renewal of a license to practice medicine and surgery by making an incorrect statement in connection with a licensure application.
- 3. The Board has determined that it is appropriate and in the public interest to waive the commencement of proceedings against Dr. Dodson and to proceed without the filing of formal charges in a Complaint and Notice of Hearing, provided Dr. Dodson complies with the terms and conditions set forth herein.

## **CONSENT**

Jeffrey Alan Dodson, M.D., by affixing his signature hereon, agrees solely and exclusively for purposes of this agreement and the entry of the Order provided for and stated herein, and the proceedings conducted in accordance with this Order, to the following:

- 1. Dr. Dodson acknowledges that he is fully aware that, without his consent here given, no permanent legal action may be taken against him except after a hearing held in accordance with W. Va. Code § 30-3-14 (h) and W. Va. Code § 29A-5-1, et seq.
- 2. Dr. Dodson further acknowledges that he has the following rights, among others: the right to a formal hearing before the West Virginia Board of Medicine, the right to reasonable notice of said hearing, the right to be represented by counsel at his own expense, and the right to cross-examine witnesses against him.
  - 3. Dr. Dodson waives all rights to such a hearing.
- 4. Dr. Dodson consents to the entry of this Order relative to his practice of medicine and surgery in the State of West Virginia.
  - 5. Dr. Dodson understands that this Order is considered public information.

## **ORDER**

WHEREFORE, on the basis of the foregoing Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law of the Board, and on the basis of the consent of Dr. Dodson, the West Virginia Board of Medicine hereby ORDERS as follows:

1. Three and one half (3.5) hours of CME which Dr. Dodson completed on August 2, 2008, shall be applied to meet the fifty (50) hours required for the renewal period July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008, and shall not be applied or transferred to any subsequent renewal period.

2. Dr. Dodson shall also pay a **CIVIL FINE** in the amount of \$100.00 per credit hour for his prior deficiency of three and one half (3.5) hours for the licensure renewal period from July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008, together with a one-time **ADMINISTRATIVE FEE** in the amount of \$100.00, for a total of **\$450.00**, which fine and administrative fee shall be received by the Board on or before June 30, 2009.

3. In the event that Dr. Dodson fails to comply with the requirements stated in the preceding paragraphs of this Order, his license to practice medicine in the State of West Virginia shall be **SUSPENDED**, effective immediately, without further process or hearing, pending his successful completion of these requirements, as agreed to by him, and as required by this Order.

4. Upon the Board's determination that Dr. Dodson is in full compliance with the terms and conditions of this Consent Order, the Complaint against him shall be dismissed immediately.

The foregoing Order was entered this \_\_\_\_\_ 23rd \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_ June \_\_\_\_ 2009.

WEST VIRGINIA BOARD OF MEDICINE

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Jeffrey K Dodson, M.D.

Date:  $\frac{6/3}{0}$ 

STATE OF	Nest Virginia
COUNTY OF _	Harrison

I, Jacqueline L. Richards a Notary Public in and for said county and state do hereby certify that Jeffrey Alan Dodson, M.D., whose name is signed on the previous page, has this day acknowledged the same before me.

Given under my hand this	_3_	day of	June	, 2009.
My commission expires	May	13,	2013	·



Jacqueline A. Richards



## State of West Virginia Board of Medicine

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June 23, 2009

Jeffrey Alan Dodson, M.D. 3012 Dogwood Road Bridgeport, WV 26330

RE: Jeffrey Alan Dodson, M.D.

Dear Dr. Dodson:

Enclosed please find a copy of the fully executed "Consent Order" in the abovereferenced matter.

We are in receipt of your documentation of the three and one-half (3.5) remaining hours of continuing medical education, as referenced in the "Consent Order." Consequently, you are in compliance with the terms and conditions of this "Consent Order," and the Complaint against you has been dismissed.

Please note that the continuing medical education submitted shall be applied to meet the fifty (50) hours required for the renewal period July 1, 2006, to June 30, 2008, and shall not be applied or transferred to any subsequent renewal period.

In accordance with the statute, the "Consent Order" will remain a permanent part of your historical record maintained by the Board. A copy of this letter will be attached to the "Consent Order" and will remain a part of the "Consent Order."

Thank you for your cooperation and patience throughout this process and continued best wishes for success.

Sincerely,

RCK/eb Enclosure Robert C. Knittle